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Applicant(s) : **POMMIER, François**
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Examiner : **BLAKE, Carolyn T.**
Title : **Method and Installation for Automatically Cutting and
Removing Stacks of Pieces in a Web of Sheet Material**
Docket No. : **041206.024**
Customer No. : **25461**

Confirmation No.: **6242**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION FOR ELECTION/RESTRICTION

This is in response to the requirement for restriction dated July 19, 2005. A one-month extension of time, together with the associated fee, is filed herewith.

In the Office Action dated July 19, 2005, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the inventions I and II under 35 U.S.C. §121.

Applicant provisionally elects with traverse the subject matter of Group II, namely claims 63 - 80, drawn to an installation for automatically cutting out and unloading stacks of pieces, classified in class 83, subclass 78. Additionally, Applicant hereby elects Species A (Figure 3), including claims 68-70, relating to the unloading tool and Species G (Figure 2), including claims 63-67 and 76-77, relating to the unloading station.

Examination on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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